

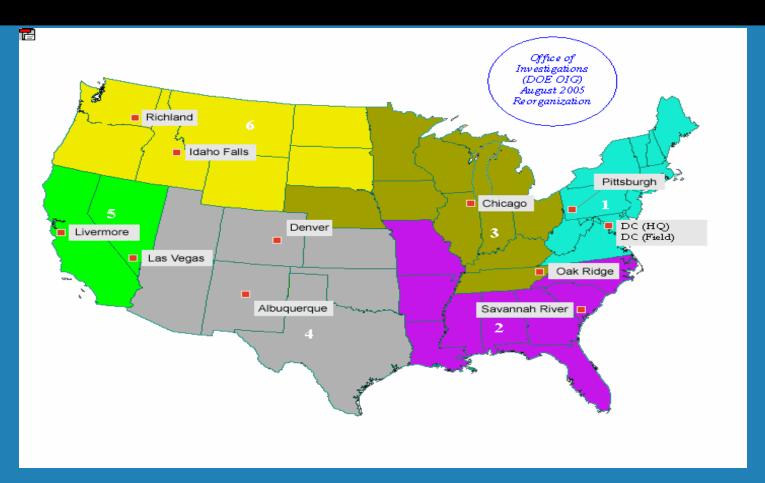
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# SUSPECT OR COUNTERFEIT ITEM BRIEFING

- ิ Six Regions
- ญ 10 Office Locations
- ญ 43 Agents
- ର୍ OIG HOTLINE

800 541-1625

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### MATTERS INVESTIGATED BY THE OI

(WHITE-COLLAR CRIMES INVOLVING DOE, IT'S CONTRACTORS, SUB-CONTRACTORS AND GRANTEES)

- CONTRACT, PROCUREMENT, AND GRANT FRAUD
- PRODUCT SUBSTITUTION AND SUSPECT/COUNTERFEIT PARTS
- FALSE STATEMENTS AND FALSE CLAIMS
- ENVIRONMENT, HEALTH, AND SAFETY VIOLATIONS
- COMPUTER CRIMES
- BRIBERY, KICKBACKS, AND GRATUITIES

## ର REPORTING SUSPECT OR COUNTERFEIT ITEMS REQUIREMENTS

- DOE ORDER 221.1, "REPORTING FRAUD, WASTE AND ABUSE TO THE OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL"
- NOTICE 221.6, "REPORTING FRAUD, WASTE, AND ABUSE"
- OTHER DOE PRONOUNCEMENTS THAT SPECIFICALLY CITE NEED TO REPORT SUSPECT OR COUNTERFEIT ITEMS TO THE OIG

- DOE AND ITS CONTRACTORS SHOULD REPORT SUSPECT OR COUNTERFEIT ITEMS TO THE OIG OFFICE OF INVESTIGATIONS WHEN DISCOVERED AND-----
- 1. Reason To Believe
- 2. Fraudulent act occurred during the manufacture, shipping, testing, or certification of the Suspect or Counterfeit Item (s)

- DOE AND ITS CONTRACTORS SHOULD REPORT SUSPECT OR COUNTERFEIT ITEMS TO THE OIG OFFICE OF INVESTIGATIONS DISCOVERED DURING:
- 1. Receipt
- 2. Maintenance
- 3. Testing
- 4. Inspection
- 5. Use
- 6. Or Otherwise

#### REPORTING TO OFFICE OF INVESTIGATION

- 1. To Appropriate Office of Investigation Location
- 2. Via telephone, email, or letter
- 3. DOE Element or DOE Subcontractor may have specific form and/or documentation to forward to OIG

## Once Reported to Office of Investigation/OIG:

- 1. Will Evaluate May Require Additional Information
- 2. Will Respond back within 10 calendar days
  - a) Investigation Opened
  - b) Investigation Not Opened
  - c) Disposition of Item (s)—Ex: Retained or No need to secure for OIG purposes

- ญ SUSPECT OR COUNTERFEIT ITEM (S) SECURED
- REQUEST CONTACT WITH OFFICE OF INVESTIGATIONS PRIOR TO CONTACTING VENDOR/SUPPLIER

## ล STRONGEST LINK

- YOU -- FRONT LINE DEFENSE
- YOU ARE THE EXPERTS,
- YOU KNOW YOUR PROGRAMS,
- YOUR KNOW YOUR PRODUCT SPECIFICATIONS,
- YOU KNOW THE CONTRACTORS, VENDORS, and SUPPLIERS.

## **Examples of Coordination with ES&H**

- Hunt Valve-Falsified Certifications of Conformance. Supplied non-conforming valves. Criminal-Conspiracy to Defraud and False Statements. 33 months in prison & over \$4 million in restitution to DOD. On-going.
- National Temperform-False Certifications relating to heat treating of aluminum. Criminal Plea Agreement included \$200,000 in fines and \$100,000 in restitution. On-going.

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- Western Sales and Testing-falsified certifications relating to testing of compressed gas cylinders. Civil--False Statements and False Claims. \$3 million dollar settlement. \$1.1 million in single damages returned to victim agencies.
- ର <u>M&M Sales</u>—Allegedly altered certifications relating to testing of metal components. Ongoing matter